

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chair Llew Jones, on March 12, 2015 at 8:00 AM, in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Llew Jones, Chair (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)
Sen. David Howard (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)
Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Cary Smith (R)
Sen. Janna Taylor (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Cynthia Wolken (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Roger Webb (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 28, 3/9/2015; HB 87, 3/9/2015

Executive Action: HB 145 Be Concurred In As Amended; HB 588 Be Concurred In; SB 47 Do Pass; SB 259 Do Pass As Amended; SB 12 Do Pass; HB 87 Be Concurred In

HEARING ON HB 28

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:30 Rep. Jennifer Eck (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 28, Require parole hearings to be video and audio recorded.

[EXHIBIT](#)(fcs51a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:43 Timothy Allred, executive director, Board of Pardons and Parole (BPP)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:05:25 Sen. Wolken
00:06:04 Rep. Eck
00:06:59 Sen. Wolken
00:07:21 Rep. Eck
00:08:27 Sen. Wolken
00:08:39 Mr. Allred, BPP
00:11:16 Sen. Howard
00:11:32 Mr. Allred
00:13:28 Sen. Howard
00:13:38 Mr. Allred

Closing by Sponsor:

00:14:12 Rep. Eck

HEARING ON HB 87

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:51 Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D), HD 73, opened the hearing on HB 87, Eliminate the requirement for a third official school enrollment count.

00:18:23 Sen. Brenden, Sen. Rosendale and Sen. Sesso joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:19:05 Madalyn Quinlan, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:07 Sen. Rosendale
 00:21:23 Chair Jones
 00:21:58 Sen. Ripley
 00:22:16 Chair Jones
 00:22:43 Sen. Rosendale
 00:22:55 Chair Jones
 00:22:58 Sen. Howard
 00:23:06 Chair Jones
 00:24:00 Sen. Hansen

Closing by Sponsor:

00:24:19 Rep. McClafferty
 00:24:49 Chair Jones
 00:26:49 Recess
 00:44:01 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 145

00:44:45 **Motion:** Sen. Phillips moved that **HB 145 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:45:00 **Motion:** Sen. Phillips moved that **HB 145 BE AMENDED.**

[EXHIBIT\(fcs51a02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:46:28 Sen. Hansen
 00:47:01 Sen. Phillips
 00:47:42 Sen. Hansen
 00:47:45 Sen. Moore joined the meeting.
 00:48:00 Sen. Caferro joined the meeting.
 00:48:12 Jon Moe, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
 00:49:09 Sen. Hansen
 00:49:42 Mr. Moe, LFD
 00:52:31 Sen. Hansen
 00:53:13 Sen. Phillips
 00:53:15 Sen. Hansen
 00:54:10 Sen. Sesso
 00:55:19 Sen. Hansen
 00:55:28 Sen. Phillips withdrew his motion.

00:55:51 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **HB 145 BE AMENDED.**

[EXHIBIT\(fcs51a03\)](#)

Discussion:

00:56:16 Mr. Moe
 00:59:00 Sen. Moore left the meeting.
 00:59:01 Sen. Windy Boy joined the meeting.
 01:01:28 Chair Jones
 01:02:53 Mr. Moe
 01:03:06 Sen. Sesso
 01:04:00 Mr. Moe
 01:04:09 Sen. Sesso
 01:05:00 Mr. Moe
 01:05:15 Chair Jones
 01:05:21 Mr. Moe
 01:05:39 Sen. Sesso
 01:06:31 Chair Jones
 01:07:01 Sen. Keane
 01:07:12 Mr. Moe
 01:07:44 Sen. Ripley
 01:07:57 Chair Jones

01:08:30 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-0 by voice vote. Sen. Moore voted by proxy. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Webb were excused.

01:08:41 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **HB 145 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

01:08:50 **Motion:** Sen. Phillips moved that **HB 145 BE AMENDED.**
 (See *Exhibit 2*)

Discussion:

01:09:02 Sen. Phillips
 01:10:13 Chair Jones
 01:10:30 Sen. Phillips

01:10:33 **Vote:** Motion carried 15-2 by voice vote with Sen. F. Moore, Sen. Ripley, Sen. Rosendale and Sen. Taylor voting no. Sen. Moore voted by proxy.

01:11:02 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **HB 145 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:11:16 Sen. Rosendale
 01:11:56 Sen. Phillips
 01:12:50 Sen. Rosendale
 01:13:13 Sen. Phillips
 01:13:50 Sen. Keane
 01:14:29 Sen. Hamlett

01:15:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-6 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Howard, Sen. Rosendale, Sen. C. Smith, Sen. Taylor and Sen. Webb voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Moore and Sen. Webb voted by proxy. Sen. Hamlett will carry the bill.

01:16:38 Chair Jones
01:16:39 Sen. Phillips
01:16:56 Sen. Ripley

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 588

01:17:41 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **HB 588 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:17:58 Chair Jones

01:18:07 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-2 by voice vote with Sen. Caferro and Sen. Howard voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Moore and Sen. Webb voted by proxy. Sen. Jones will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 47

01:18:58 **Motion:** Sen. Phillips moved that **SB 47 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:19:21 Sen. Ripley
01:20:25 Sen. Rosendale
01:21:28 Sen. Keane
01:22:05 Sen. Hamlett
01:23:06 Sen. Ripley
01:23:20 Sen. Brenden
01:24:48 Sen. Taylor
01:25:52 Sen. Windy Boy

01:26:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Brenden, Sen. Howard, Sen. F. Moore, Sen. C. Smith, Sen. Taylor and Sen. Webb voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Moore and Sen. Webb voted by proxy.

Discussion:

01:27:51 Sen. Phillips
01:28:06 Chair Jones
01:28:16 Sen. Rosendale
01:31:03 Sen. Taylor
01:32:26 Sen. Phillips
01:33:08 Sen. Keane
01:34:07 Sen. Phillips
01:34:38 Sen. Keenan
01:35:06 Sen. Ripley
01:35:34 Sen. Sesso
01:36:18 Chair Jones
01:37:35 Sen. Phillips

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 259

01:38:24 **Motion:** Sen. Keenan moved that **SB 259 DO PASS.**

01:38:33 **Motion:** Sen. Keenan moved that **SB 259 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(fcs51a04)

Discussion:

01:39:08 Jon Moe, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

01:39:36 Sen. Ripley

01:39:45 Mr. Moe, LFD

01:40:11 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by voice vote with Sen. Brenden voting no.

01:40:49 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **SB 259 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

01:40:55 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **SB 259 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(fcs51a05)

Discussion:

01:40:57 Sen. Keane

01:42:01 Sen. Rosendale

01:44:44 Sen. Keenan

01:44:56 Sen. Rosendale

01:45:08 Sen. Keane

01:45:41 Sen. Rosendale

01:46:46 Sen. Ripley

01:47:03 Sen. Rosendale

01:47:14 Sen. Sesso

01:48:16 Sen. Rosendale

01:49:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-8 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Hansen, Sen. Howard, Sen. Keenan, Sen. Rosendale, Sen. C. Smith, Sen. Taylor and Sen. Webb voting no. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Webb voted by proxy. Sen. Moore was excused.

01:50:39 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **SB 259 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:50:49 Sen. Windy Boy

01:51:20 Mr. Moe

01:52:32 Sen. Windy Boy

01:52:35 Sen. Keane

01:53:05 Sen. Windy Boy

01:53:13 Diana Ferriter, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

01:53:44 Sen. Windy Boy

01:53:50 Ms. Ferriter, DLI

01:54:43 Sen. Sesso
01:55:00 Sen. Taylor
01:55:12 Sen. Keane

01:55:25 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hansen, Sen. Howard, Sen. C. Smith, Sen. Taylor and Sen. Webb voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Moore and Sen. Webb voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 312

01:57:10 Sen. Philips
01:57:15 Chair Jones

01:57:25 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Phillips moved that **SB 312 DO PASS**. Motion carried 14-5 by voice vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Brenden, Sen. F. Moore, Sen. C. Smith and Sen. Webb voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Moore and Sen. Webb voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 87

01:59:16 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **HB 87 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

01:59:37 Sen. Hansen
02:00:16 Sen. Windy Boy
02:01:34 Chair Jones
02:02:50 Sen. Windy Boy

02:04:22 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Taylor and Sen. Windy Boy voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Moore and Sen. Webb voted by proxy. Sen. Jones will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:05 a.m.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fcs51aad.pdf](#))